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May 1, 2007

Honorable Board of Commissioners Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Commissioners:

ACCEPT RESIDENT OPPORTUNITIES AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY RESIDENT SERVICE DELIVERY MODELS PROGRAM FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 Vote)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to accept from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a \$350,000 grant of Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Resident Service Delivery Models Program funds to implement a three-year supportive services program to promote independent living for up to 1,529 elderly and persons with disabilities who reside at the 14 conventional public housing sites identified in Attachment A.
- 3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute all documents required for receipt of the grant; and if approved, the funds will be included in the Housing Authority's proposed 2007-2008 Fiscal Year budget.
- 4. Authorize the Executive Director to prepare and execute contracts and any amendments thereto, including increasing contract amounts by up to 25 percent, as needed, with multiple community organizations and service providers, in a combined total amount not to exceed \$350,000, to assist with program planning, implementation, and administration of activities, in accordance with



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HUD requirements, following approval as to form by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The purpose of this action is to authorize the Housing Authority to accept from HUD \$350,000 in ROSS Program funds to implement a comprehensive supportive services program that promotes independent living for the elderly and persons with disabilities who reside in 14 conventional public housing sites.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no impact on the County general fund. The \$350,000 grant will be included into the Housing Authority's proposed Fiscal Year 2007-2008 budget, and it will be matched by over \$395,965 in in-kind services from community organizations and service providers.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

In July 2006, the Housing Authority submitted a funding application to HUD under the 2006 ROSS Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program. For Fiscal Year 2006-2007, \$10 million was available for this program through a nationally competitive awards process.

In February 2007, HUD awarded the Housing Authority a \$350,000 grant. Funds will be used to provide the elderly and persons with disabilities who are public housing residents with an array of supportive services including: program coordination, home assistance, mental health assessments, transportation assistance, translation services, home-delivered meal programs, case management, mental health assessments, and other related activities designed to promote independence and increase quality of life.

At its meeting of March 28, 2007, the Housing Commission recommended acceptance of the grant.

This letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION:

This project is exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 58, Section 58.34(a)(4), because it involves public service activities that will not have a physical impact on or result in any physical changes to the environment. The activities are not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(3) and 15378, because they are not defined as a project under CEQA and do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT PROGRAMS:

The grant will enable the Housing Authority to implement programs and services that promote independent living and an improved quality of life for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLOS JACKSON

Attachments: 1

ATTACHMENT A

ROSS PROGRAM SITES

LARGE SITES

CARMELITOS

700-1100 Via Wanda 900 Via Carmelitos Long Beach, CA 90805

HARBOR HILLS

26607 S. Western Ave. Lomita, CA 90717

NUEVA MARAVILLA

4919 Cesar E. Chavez Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90022

LOMITA MANOR

24925 Walnut Street Lomita, CA 90717

NORTH COUNTY

FOOTHILL VILLA

2423 Foothill Blvd. La Crescenta, CA 91214

ORCHARD ARMS

23410-23540 Wiley Canyon Rd. Valencia, CA 91355

SOUTH COUNTY

SOUTHBAY GARDENS

230 E. 130th St. Los Angeles, CA 90061

WEST COUNTY

WEST KNOLL APTS.

838 West Knoll Dr. West Hollywood, CA 90069

PALM APTS.

959 Palm Ave. West Hollywood, CA 90069

MARINA MANOR I

3401 Via Dolce Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

MARINA MANOR II

3405 Via Dolce Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

EAST COUNTY

WHITTIER MANOR

11527 Slauson Ave. Whittier, CA 90606

HERBERT AVE.

133 Herbert Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90063

FRANCISQUITO VILLA

14622 Francisquito Ave. La Puente, CA 91746